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To: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman  
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From: David E. Janssen  
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**WASHINGTON, D.C. UPDATE**

**Pursuit of Position on Fiscal Year 2008 Appropriations Requests**

With the release of the President's Proposed Budget on February 5, 2007, Congress will begin its annual consideration of appropriation requests for financing local projects and programs with Federal funding, including projects and studies. Our Washington, D.C. advocates have been in contact with our Congressional Delegation to request funding for 12 projects. Please see Attachment.

The amount of discretionary funding will likely be severely constrained in the current fiscal environment and the Departments of Beaches and Harbors, Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and the Community Development Commission were asked to identify, in coordination with your offices, their highest priority items for consideration in FY 2008. If funded, some of these projects will require a local match, and our affected departments have indicated their willingness and ability to provide the match. Our Washington, D.C. advocates will request funding for these projects in the following appropriation measures: the FY 2008 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, Interior-Environment Appropriations Act, and Transportation-Treasury-HUD Appropriations Act. Some of these are ongoing projects and studies.

Support for these projects is consistent with Board policy to seek:

- Funding for the development and implementation of long-term solutions for shoaling problems, including the safe disposal of contaminated sediment and construction of improvements in Ballona Creek and the entrance of Marina del Rey;
- Funding for developing and implementing coastal management plans, including beach stabilization and replenishment projects;
- Funding for the improvement of water quality and reliability, including grants for projects that would expand the use of recycled water, and for the protection of water supplies against terrorist acts;
- Full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund as well as funding for improvements in the Santa Monica Mountains, parks, environmental restoration of coastal watersheds and wetlands, and beach projects in Los Angeles County; Funding for initiatives to protect and enhance communities through projects promoting public safety and environmental improvements; and
- Increased CDBG, HOME, Section 108 Loan Guarantee, and homeless assistance funding levels, and oppose efforts to increase set asides.

**Therefore, our Washington, D. C. advocates will seek Federal funding in FY 2008 for these important priorities.**

We will continue to keep you advised.

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Attachment

c: All Department Heads  
Legislative Strategist

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY FY 2008 APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS

### FY 2008 ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT

#### Operations and Maintenance

- **Marina del Rey Maintenance Dredging  
South Entrance and Main Channel** **\$7,982,000**

#### General Investigations

- **Hansen Dam Water Conservation and Supply  
Feasibility Study** **\$200,000**
- **California Coastal Sediment Master Plan** **\$900,000**
- **Whittier Narrows Dam Water Conservation and  
Supply Feasibility Study** **\$200,000**
- **Coast of California Storm and Tidal Wave Study** **\$823,000**
- **Arroyo Seco Watershed Feasibility Study** **\$600,000**
- **Sun Valley Watershed Project Feasibility Study** **\$500,000**
- **Tujunga Wash Restoration Project, Phase II** **\$500,000**

### FY 2008 INTERIOR-ENVIRONMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT

#### State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG)

- **North Los Angeles County Regional Recycled Water  
Project** **\$1,500,000**

### FY 2008 TRANSPORTATION-TREASURY-HUD APPROPRIATIONS ACT

#### Economic Development Initiative (EDI)

- **Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Regional Soccer  
Complex** **\$1,000,000**

#### Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- **Computer Literacy Program** **\$247,000**
- **Community Education Health Wellness Program** **\$100,000**